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In re Application of:

YUNKER, *et al.*

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**For: OPTICAL RECEPTACLE, TRANSCEIVER
AND CAGE**

Examiner: NASRI, Javald H.

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**Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on February 6, 2003, the period of response to which is set to expire on May 6, 2003. Please amend the above-captioned application, without prejudice or disclaimer, as follows:

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as currently presented is respectfully requested. Claims 1-32 and 34-57 are pending. Claims 8-28, and 34-57 have been withdrawn from consideration.

Applicants wish to thank Examiner Nasri for discussing the present application with Applicants' counsel during a Telephone Interview on March 18, 2003. During the telephone interview, Examiner Nasri agreed that the Poplawski *et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 6,267,606) reference and admitted prior art reference would be withdrawn. Because all of the currently pending rejections are based on Poplawski *et al.* and the admitted prior art figures 1 and 2, and the rejections based on Poplawski *et al.* and the admitted prior art figures 1 and 2 have now been withdrawn, claims 1-32 and 34-57, all of the currently pending claims, are in condition for allowance.

As requested by Examiner Nasri during the March 18, 2003 Examiner